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THE STORE WITH THE GOODS

BREEZELETS

"Save the snake," is the heading of an article in a Calgary paper of Wednesday.

Which kind? The whisky-made snake, or the "Snake in the grass?"

Ex King Constantine declares that he always followed the wishes of the Greek people.

But on one occasion he followed the wishes of the Allies—when they kicked him off his throne.

"Sugar shortage is not affecting local jam stocks," a Calgary paper tells us.

Well, perhaps not—but it has greatly affected the price of the jam in stock, which is the sticker.

In New York they are buying skunk skins for Germany.

"Fellow feeling makes them wondrous kind," over in Germany, these days.

Reconstruction of Russia is a big task, says the Danish minister at Petrograd.

But some in Alberta contend that Russia doesn't need any reconstruction, its perfect as it is—as long as they are not living in Russia.

"Cease playing politics," says Alex Moore, the U.F.A. member for Cochrane, in his maiden speech in the house, the other day.

Good advice. Members have been playing in the minor key over their beggarly sessional allowance of \$1500.00, and want Moore—another \$1000.00—before they can "lift their harps from off the willow tree," and sing the song of victory—over the farmer.

Hon. Robert Rogers has been telling the people of Winnipeg what he thinks of Union govt.

But Robert didn't tell what the Union govt thought of him.

Government Refuses to Guarantee Seed Grain Notes

MUNICIPAL COUNCILS IN A QUANDARY

Consternation has been created in municipal district councils in the drought areas by the government's recent decision in refusing to guarantee seed grain notes, unless the whole amount is put into the general accounts of the municipal districts, and a tax rate struck sufficient to cover the whole of the amount of money borrowed for seed grain, including all arrears, which takes in the years 1918 and 1919. This tax, it is estimated, would work out to between \$75.09 to \$100.00 per quarter section, without including school taxes, which are separate from the general accounts of the municipality. Under the government's decision, instead of being spread over a term of years, the whole amount would have to be collected in the 1920 taxes, and, unless the farmers in the drought districts get a bumper crop this year, this heavy tax would be a great hardship on a number of them, and practically put many of them out of business, unless some other arrangements could be made. Under previous arrangements already a large amount of seed grain loans have been made, and the government's decision has put some of the councils in a quandary in consequence.

Home Nursing

The useful and practical talks on "Home Nursing" by practical nurses, inaugurated by the Chinook Women's Institute, is something that should be of special interest and benefit to the home. In these days of the h.c.i., and the seemingly periodical visits of deadly epidemics, that appear to "go the round" of nations and communities, practical home-nursing becomes a stern necessity. How much suffering and even death, in some cases, could be alleviated and averted, if home remedies, applied with a practical knowledge of their use, and the patient watched by a nurse who knew the right thing to do, until a physician could be procured.

"A stitch in time saves nine" is an old adage, and never more true than when applied in cases of sickness. Home nursing ought to be made one of the compulsory subjects taught to girls in our public schools. We are told that dancing is on the curriculum to be taught in the Alberta schools, but it seems to us that a thorough knowledge of "home nursing" is vastly of more importance in every-day life. Where it taught in our schools, and every girl was given instructions on practical home nursing, when an epidemic breaks out, like we have had the past two years, there would not have been such a lamentable dearth of nurses in every community, such as been the case in the past. Where it is at all possible, everyone should take advantage to be present at these free talks on "home nursing." One cannot know too much on such an important matter when sickness comes either to the home or the community, particularly in the country, often many miles from medical help.

CURLING

Chinook Defends the Beaver Cup

Alaskan curlers visited Chinook in quest of the Beaver Cup, on Wednesday evening. The ice was in splendid condition and playing was of a high standard. Dunn's rink was drawn against Huggins and the play was very even all through. Huggins was 2 points coming home, but by a beautiful wick and roll Dunn lay 2, so the game resulted in a tie. On the north ice Miller met Hunter. Miller got away to a good start, but at the 6th end the game was 6-6. After this every end was keenly contested and the result was always in doubt till the last rock, but Miller seemed to be just fortunate in the count and finished 8 points up on the 11th end.

After the game the Alaskan curlers were the guests of the Chinook club at Mah Bros. cafe. Several of the visitors were musical and speeches and songs were the order of the day. The visitors were good sports and Chinook will welcome them at any time they wish to come again. Understand the Oyen club is the next in line for this cup, and the game may come off next week. These games are very interesting and all are welcome.

Following were the personnel of the rinks:

Alaskan	
Myers	Moyer
McColl	Knott
Martin	Fleming
Huggins, skip	Hunter, skip
Chinook	
Demian	Hinds
Milligan	Woodruff
Rennie	J. S. Smith
Dunn, skip	Miller, skip

ANNOUNCEMENT OF

Chinook Hospital

DR. EGBERT

Has arranged with the proprietor of the Acadia Hotel for the setting aside of a part of the Hotel, to be used as a Hospital. Any kind of case may be admitted, except infectious cases.

MATERNITY CASES

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DR. J. H. EGBERT,

CHINOOK, ALTA.

Chinook Lady Curlers at Youngstown Spiel

On Wednesday, two Chinook ladies' rinks visited the Youngstown spiel. Mrs. Whitlock's rink were unfortunate in being knocked out in their first game. Mrs. Rennie's rink worked their way to the finals, but were defeated by Mrs. Lamb. However they got the second prize and deserve credit for their showing. Rinks were there from Chinook, Oyen and Hanna, and they all report a good time. In the evening the Youngstown ladies staged a dance, which was much appreciated by the visitors. The following composed the rinks:

Mrs. Taylor	
" Stephenson	
" Peterson	
" Whitlock, skip	
Mrs. Pat McKenzie	
" Dunn	
" Cruickshank	
" Rennie, skip	

A Novelty Spiel

This next week, arrangements are being made for a Novelty Spiel. This is where old rinks are broken up and green curlers are taken in and plugged rinks are forbidden. Prizes have been arranged, and this event is going to cause some excitement. Some of the mighty rinks are going to fall where least expected. This is where the boys, young men, young ladies, and all the old men

get out and have a good time. If you want to get into this spiel see the committee, Mr. Stephenson, McKenzie and Whiteside.

Scores the Professional Exhibitor

No provincial grants will be made for school fairs if they are held at the same time as local agricultural exhibitions, said Mr. Craig, deputy minister of agriculture, at the convention of the Alberta Agricultural Fairs Ass'n, being held at Edmonton this week. Mr. Craig took a few back-hand slaps at professional exhibitors who made it their business to scoop up prize money at various fairs. It was an absolute waste of public funds to allow the abuse which had crept in to continue. This condition had to some extent caused the department to cut down on grants which last year totalled \$150,000. The convention was asked to seriously consider going on record in regard to this abuse.

On account of the heavy snow squalls of Thursday and Friday, railway traffic along this line has been practically tied up.

February was ushered in by a snow storm and seems as though it was going out with one.

Monday next, March 1

Ladies A Word With You About Your Skin

WIT not make Cuticura. Skin every day toilet soap, moistened by Cuticura Ointment and Cuticura Talcum, now and then, and have in most cases a clear, fresh complexion, a clean skin free from dandruff and irritation, good hair, soft white hands and a wholesome skin free from blemish, without resorting to fireproof, expensive "heavy" make-up. Cuticura costs little and does much. Sample each free by mail of Cuticura, Dept. N, Boston, U.S.A. Sold by dealers throughout the world.

Cuticura Talcum Powder

Do not fail to test the fascinating fragrance of this exquisitely scented face, body, dandruff and skin perfume powder, delicate, delectable, and it imparts to the person a charm incomparable and peculiar to itself.

Britain—The World's Terminal

In his review of Great Britain's industrial and financial future, to which certain references were made in this column last week, Lord Northcliffe not only told his American interviewer of the ability being displayed in reforming the status of the industrial workers, and gave reasons why neither the United States nor any other country could succeed in taking away from Britain her supremacy in shipping, but he submitted a logical reason why England would continue to be the centre of world trade and finance. In this connection he said: "Americans who come to London arrive here not realizing that our small country, which you can almost put inside the state of New York, is merely the great terminal of nearly a hundred diverse sections comprising the British Empire. That Empire is roughly divided into half a dozen free nations, quite independent of England—the great collecting and distributing centre of the whole—if they choose to be independent. If Canada, or Australia, or New Zealand wish to cut the connection tomorrow, they can do so without leaving any bad feeling behind. Sometimes there is ruffled talk between us, as there is between any other great business, but when it comes to what I understand you call a 'showdown,' it is seen that the business alliance is of the strongest.

"Never forget, too, we are linked by sentiment strong enough to unite us to death itself, as the world has lately seen, when from the remote parts of Australia, and from such widely separated places as Central Africa, the Klondike and the Falkland Islands, came these busy Britons, who were not killed, who will give you an excellent stand-up business fight in South America and elsewhere. From all those places there flowed to France, to Palestine, to Egypt, to Asia Minor, the fine young people who formed a portion of the land and sea armies of the British—Empire, which numbered nearly eight millions, and of whom 1,000,000 were killed, and missing, and missing means dead, and of whom our losses in dead officers alone amounted to 50,000.

"A people like ours, backed up by practically every single raw material the world contains, except, I understand, potash, which seems one of our weaknesses, too, have every reason for the silent confidence they feel in the future. In addition to our supply of raw material, we have the best skilled labor in the world. I say without hesitation that, mechanized for mechanized, ours are the best, for we have practically no aliens."

Financially, Lord Northcliffe agrees with some of the best bankers in England, that Great Britain does not need to borrow further from the United States. The position of the five great British banking combinations, holding amongst them 85 per cent. of

the deposits of the English banks is so strong that any present or immediately prospective British trade can be financed without seeking outside help, and it is not too much to say, says the editor of Wall Street Journal, who interviewed Lord Northcliffe, that the task the great English bankers (and no country possesses greater or perhaps as great) would like to turn immediate attention to, is paying off the British national debt to the United States, irrespective of what is owing to Great Britain by her allies. And in this connection it is worthy of note, and a source of British confidence in the future, that this year Great Britain will be able to provide all national expenditures out of current taxation and still be able to make a substantial reduction in the war debt.

Concluding his statement of the British position, Lord Northcliffe made reference to a well-known characteristic of the British race. He said: "We have many faults as a people. The French say that we have the faculty of putting our worst foot foremost. We are bad over-seers. We always like to grumble. It amuses one to notice how violently we grumble at a small business loss and how quietly we pocket a gigantic business achievement. We are not good 'boasters'; but I do happen to understand something about propaganda, and having the opportunity of speaking to a great body of business men through the Wall Street Journal, I would ask the many business friends I have made at business conventions in the United States to apply a large amount of salt to any dish served up by young and inexperienced cable correspondents who blow into London, and because they find an absence of the noise and rush to which they are accustomed at home, fail to realize that Mr. John Bull is back at his old stand and is about to give you a thoroughly busy time in many markets that you will find are not such easily cut lemons as some of your enthusiasts believe."

All of which should help to dissipate from the minds of Canadians, fed up with articles in the United States newspapers and magazine press, any fear that Great Britain is in danger of losing her old-time position as leader in the world of finance, shipping, manufacturing and commerce.

Surveying by Aeroplane

The aeroplane in Tasmania has been used to survey a route for the erection of a transmission line. It has been delivering 10,000 horsepower of electric current from the Great Lake Works to Launceston, a distance of 50 miles. No man has ever been through this part of the country. The aeroplane, which carried an engineer of the government hydro-electric department, traveled 180 miles, and flew over wild mountain peaks, rising to an altitude of 6,000 feet, over very heavily timbered country, numerous lakes, lagoons and rivers. Information, which in the ordinary way would have taken some months to obtain, owing to the forbidding nature of the country, was gained in a couple of hours.

Prince's Visit to Australia

London.—Arrangements are being made for the Prince of Wales' visit to Australia and New Zealand this year. The Prince will, it is hoped, arrive in New Zealand on April 17, and reach Australia on May 18, proceeding by the Panama Canal, both going and coming, and visiting the Barbadoes on the way out.

Cheap Form of Insurance

You are insured against corns and bunions by the purchase of a single 25c bottle of Putnam's Corn Extractor; it cures painlessly in 24 hours. Try Putnam's Extractor, 25c at all dealers.

We often fail to recognize it, but the fact remains that today is trying to live up to the highest standard of yesterday's thought and determination.

A Morning Dish Of Grape-Nuts

certainly does hearten one up for the day. Why shouldn't it? Grape-Nuts is ready-cooked, ready-sweetened, and contains just those good elements nature requires for the strength to do things.

Make Grape-Nuts your home cereal
"There's a Reason"

CHILBLAINS

Easily and Quickly Cured with
EGYPTIAN LINIMENT
For Sale by All Dealers
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Barley 2,000 Years Old

By the generosity of Lady Ludlow, Rothamsted (England) experimental station has secured a coin which is of peculiar interest to agriculturists. Struck in the city of Metapontum in 330 B.C., it bears on its reverse side the representation of an ear of barley, which is so accurately moulded that the variety can be identified. The barley is the six-rowed variety, which has always been supposed to be the oldest form in cultivation. We now know that it was familiar in Southern Italy over two thousand years ago.

BABY'S OWN TABLETS ALWAYS IN THE HOME

Once a mother has used Baby's Own Tablets for her little one she always keeps a supply on hand, for the first trial convinces her there is nothing to equal them in keeping children well. The Tablets are a mild but thorough laxative which regulate the bowels and sweeten the stomach, thus driving out constipation and indigestion, colds and simple fevers and making teething easier. Concerning them, Mrs. Saluste Pelletier, St. Dennis, Que., writes: "I have used Baby's Own Tablets for the past ten years and an never without them in the house. They have always given the greatest satisfaction and I can gladly recommend them to all mothers of little ones." The Tablets are sold by medicine dealers or direct by mail at 25 cents a box from The Dr. Williams Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

A new folding camera is equipped with an additional bellows, to be drawn out and extended beside the regular one to permit accurate focusing to be done until a picture is taken.

Minard's Liniment for sale everywhere.

It has been estimated that 55,720 pairs of old shoes are needed for every mile of a road composition made of slag, rock, asphalt and scrap leather that has been patented in Great Britain.

You Can Be Cured of Catarrh

The Pure Balsamic Essences of Catarrh Afford Surest and Quickest Cure

Catarrh is certain to cure because its healing power is carried with the breath directly to the seat of the chest, nose or throat trouble. Being composed of the purest balsams and pine essences, it immediately allays irritation, soothes the inflamed mucous, soothes and stimulates the lungs and bronchial tubes. The marvel of the age in curing nose, throat and bronchial troubles, that what thousands say about Catarrh is true. There is nothing so sure to cure, and to those in fear of changeable weather—those who easily catch cold—those who work among lung-chilling surroundings, or where dust, impure air, fire or damp can affect them—let them get Catarrh and use it several times daily—it will cure every time.

Large size Catarrh, sufficient for two months' use; guaranteed, price, \$1.00; smaller size, 50c; sample size, 25c. Sold everywhere.

New Diamond Fields

Tharing Will Be Proclaimed Open for Digging March 20

Tharing, a waterless, treeless and virtually gameless desert near Taungs, in Bechuanaland, promises to be the scene of the biggest diamond chance-taking rush in South African history. It is understood that Tharing will be proclaimed open for diamond digging about March 20.

Amazing stories are afloat concerning the wonderful richness of the district, and prospective diggers from the Cape, and Mozambique, and even the Congo, are preparing to try their luck in the new field. Despite warnings of possible failure, men are abandoning good jobs in various parts of the country in order to be free to stake out claims when the proclamation is issued. Hundreds of women also are arranging to go to the new shingings.

The government is preparing to cope with the anticipated rush to Tharing, and a township to receive the new community is being laid out. Taungs is situated about forty miles south of Vryburg, and about one hundred miles north of Kimberley, the last-named place being famous for its great diamond mines.

Cuba is the greatest consumer of raisins among Spanish-American nations.

Will Standardize Coals of Alberta

Research Council to Consider Aeronautics and Scientific Education

Ottawa.—The Research Council has appointed an air research commission with a membership of four, with a large association throughout the Dominion to advise and co-operate with the Air Board of the Dominion on the lines of research to develop aeronautics in Canada. This commission will report on the possibilities for the work, which may be found at various centres in the Dominion, and it will undertake investigations independently. The fuel research board to standardize the coals of Alberta has been fully constituted and the work will be carried out, in all probability, under the auspices of the University of Alberta at Edmonton.

Committees were also appointed by the council at its meeting here: on food research, physics and engineering. The first-named committee is to investigate, among other things, the character and action of the so-called vitamins, which are now known to play such an important part in the human diet.

The council has made arrangements to discuss with the authorities of Queen's, Laval, Dalhousie and Manitoba universities the measures which may be necessary to promote advanced scientific education and scientific research.

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But "Diamond Dyes" Made Her Faded, Shabby, Old Garments Like New

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The Direction Book with each package tells how to diamond dye over any color.

To match any material, have dealer show you "Diamond Dye" Color Card.

Parole System Praised

Such Thing as the Criminal Type, In the Opinion of Experts

Judge W. P. Archibald, Dominion parole officer and one of the greatest experts on criminology on the continent, recently delivered an address on the question of the parole system, in the course of which he declared that the criminal could not be looked upon as any beyond the pale of Christian influence. He looked confidently forward, he said, to the time when crime would cease, and that time would come, he added, when they had "the right" men and women to handle the youth of the country as they should be handled. On the question of parole, Judge Archibald said that out of 11,000 prisoners who had been liberated under this system from Canadian penitentiaries, only 24 per cent. had violated the terms under which they had been released.

In another part of his address, the judge said that in the opinion of experts in criminology there was no such thing as what was commonly described as the criminal type. People were far too ready to ostracize their fellow man when he had gone astray and to profess to believe that because a man had once gone wrong he must always be wrong.

Piles Cured in 6 to 14 Days

Druggists refund money if PZO OINTMENT fails to cure itching, blood, bleeding or protruding piles. Stops Irritation; Soothes and Heals. You can get restful sleep after the first application. Price 60c.

Civil Service Experts Resign

Private Concerns Are Offering More Attractive Salaries Than Paid By Dominion Government

Considerable comment has been caused, especially amongst members of the Canadian Civil Service, over the fact of a number of members of the service, principally employed in the Geological Survey, Mines, and other technical departments, having resigned their positions to take posts with private concerns, more particularly in the United States. Petroleum interests in that country have recently taken six experts from the Department of Mines, and other members of the same department are said to be about to follow suit. Reasons are given for the situation are the high cost of the work and the fact that the private concerns are offering very much more attractive salaries than are being paid by the Dominion Government.

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May Get Part of German Naval Equipment

British Government Offers Deminion Some Reparation Claims

In the material which the allies are requiring Germany to deliver as compensation for the loss of German battleships at Scapa Flow are several floating docks, dredges, hydraulic cranes, etc. It is understood that the British Government has made enquiry of the Canadian Government as to whether Canada would like to acquire any of these on account of Canada's reparation claims, and the matter is now being considered by the government.

It Has Been Said—

That you have no idea how big the other fellow's troubles are. That money, like salt, is necessary to add flavor to life, but an overdose is harmful. That the unfortunate thing about good resolutions is that they are often made too late. That politeness is like an air-cushion: there may be nothing in it, but it eases the jolts wonderfully.

Catarrhal Disinfectant Can Be Cured

By local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure Catarrhal Disinfectant, play the disease on the mucous surface of the System. Catarrhal Disinfectant is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a running nose or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed, Deafness is the result. Unless the inflammation can be removed and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing may be destroyed forever. Many cases of Deafness are caused by Catarrh, which is an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. For any case of Catarrhal Disinfectant that cannot be cured by HALL'S CATARRH DISINFECTANT. All Druggists Sell. Circular free. F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio.

Japanese children are taught at an early age to write and draw with both hands, and to this fact has been ascribed the superiority of Japanese art in certain directions especially in neat sewing.

A crowd of 1,000,000 persons with easy standing room would cover 70 acres.

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Provincial Act to Restrict Townsites

Saskatchewan Reserves Rights Over the Railways

In future railways which build branch lines in Saskatchewan will be restricted somewhat in their location of townsites by the Town Planning Act, which received its second reading in the legislature. Hon. George Langley, in charge of the bill, said that it had been a mistake in the past that railway companies had shown themselves selfish and erratic in their choice of townsites locations. In some cases they had crossed highways which had been improved at great expense and located the townsites some miles away from such roads, thus rendering them almost a waste of money. This would not be permitted in future, as the bill gave the government power to deal with the location of new townsites.

A large part of one of Finland's iron ore fields lies under the sea.

YOUNGSTERS!

Need "Cascarets" when Sick, Bilious, Constipated.

When your child is bilious, constipated, sick or full of cold; when the little tongue is coated, breath bad and stomach sour, get a box of Cascarets and straighten the little one right up. Children gladly take this harmless candy cathartic and it cleanses the little liver and bowels without griping. Cascarets contain no calomel or dangerous drugs and can be depended upon to move the sour bile, gases and indigestible waste right out of the bowels. Best family cathartic because it never cramps, sickens or causes inconvenience.

An Original Mayor

Bermudez boasts the most independent and original Mayor in Britain in the person of Mr. W. C. Busbin.

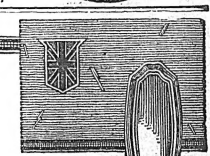
He will not accept any invitations to functions during his year of office and declines to be invested with the robe and chain of office.

A compositor by trade, Mr. Busbin will continue his occupation. He has been granted \$300 for out-of-pocket expenses and for loss of remunerative time while acting as mayor.

An Australian Joke

The Grocer.—Yes'm, the high price of mustard is due to the scarcity of mel. You see, people are buying up mustard and are keeping themselves warm with poultices.—Sydney Bulletin.

About ninety per cent. of the Japanese people can read and write.



Grand Trunk Deal Is Ratified After Heated Discussion

London.—The shareholders of the Grand Trunk Railway, after listening to heated criticisms, finally assented to the terms of agreement with the Dominion Government. A dozen dissentients held a meeting afterward and passed a resolution protesting against the terms.

Ottawa.—Ratification of the Grand Trunk agreement by the shareholders in London will be followed by the appointment of a committee of management. The committee will be composed of five persons. Two will be appointed by the Grand Trunk, two by the Dominion Government, and the fifth will be appointed by the other four. The committee of management will endeavor to ensure the operation of the Grand Trunk system in harmony with the Canadian National Railways, the two systems being treated as nearly as possible as one system. The committee will continue to act until the Grand Trunk preferred and common stocks are vested in the government.

A board of arbitrators will also be appointed to determine the value of the preference and ordinary stocks. One arbitrator will be appointed by the government, and one by the Grand Trunk. The third will be Sir Walter Cassels, judge of the exchequer court of Canada. The arbitration award will be met by the issue of a new non-voting four per cent. guaranteed stock.

The government will also guarantee the interest on the present guaranteed stock, of which there is 12,500,000 pounds sterling outstanding. Holders of this stock, however, will surrender their voting rights.

U. S. Farmers May Strike

"Won't Work 16 Hours a Day to Feed Highly Paid, Short-Hour Urban Consumer"

Washington.—The farmers of the United States may go on strike. Recently questionnaires were sent by the Post Office Department all over the country to farmers in connection with a move to bring the producer and consumer closer together by extending parcel post facilities. Some 70,000 replies have been received. The majority of the farmers complain bitterly of shortage of labor and the high wages they are forced to pay, and declare they will reduce or suspend production because they do not propose to labor fourteen to sixteen hours a day to supply the necessities of life to "highly paid, short-hour urban resident consumers."

Trenton, N.J.—In the hope of securing a beer bill for New Jersey that would stand the United States supreme court test, Senator Pilgrim, of Essex, on behalf of the Republicans in control of the legislature, introduced a measure localizing the manufacture, sale and transportation in New Jersey of beverages of 275 per cent. alcohol by weight, which would be about 3.40 per cent. by volume.

Germany Defiant Over Trials Of War Criminals

Berlin.—Commenting on the allied note to Germany making concessions regarding the trial of Germans accused of war crimes, the Tageblatt says: "The awakening of the democratic spirit in England and Italy has led to its effect in inducing the leaders of the entente to recede from their previous attitude on the extradition issue."

Vorwarts says that the note is now free of malice and other obscurities, which are likely to lead to complications later, but it declares the document represents the victory of sanity.

The Vossische Zeitung expresses belief that neither the German nor the entente statesmen could have acted differently in the premises. It thinks the entente will do well in abstaining from interference with the trials Germany is to hold, as the allies will thus be spared "the ignominious defeat awaiting them in case they attempt to reaffirm their charges before an unbiased court."

The Pan Deutsche Zeitung finds the note unacceptable, and demands that it be met with "an unflinching 'No.'"

Protest From Railroad Workers

Declare Re-organization Bill Was Destructive to Constitutional Privileges

Washington.—Organized railroad workers and union labor in general, contending that the reformed railroad reorganization bill was destructive of the employees' constitutional privileges and liberties, called upon congress to defeat the measure in its entirety. At the close of an all-day conference representatives of the fifteen railroad unions made public a memorial to congress making this suggestion.

Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, and Frank Morrison, secretary, attended the conference. The memorial embodies this declaration:

"The bill deprives citizens employed upon railroads of the inviolable rights to enjoy gains of their industry. The returns to capital are fixed upon an arbitrary basis, the rate which the public pay and wages upon which labor must receive, must accommodate themselves to this basis fixed for capital. This act makes the public and labor subservient to capital."

Lumber Shortage Threatened

Caused by Steady Shipment of Canadian Supply to the United States

Ottawa.—The board of commerce has been asked to consider the problem of a threatened lumber shortage in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, caused by the steady shipment of the Canadian supply to the U.S. American firms are said to be conserving their own supplies and buying up a large part of the visible supply in Western Canada for their present use.

H. W. Whittle, K.C., counsel for the board of commerce in Winnipeg, telegraphed to the board of commerce here as follows:

"The chief inspector of crown timber agencies reports that a serious shortage is being created in lumber supplies in the three prairie provinces by United States concerns buying up large valuable stocks for shipment south. The United States firms are holding American lumber from their own markets for a rise in prices and are dealing largely in the Canadian supply. An immediate investigation will demonstrate this."

"Please advise what steps, if any, should be taken by me. My informant states the result will be extremely serious unless the movement is checked."

The board of commerce is considering the matter.

The collarbone is more frequently broken than any other bone in the body.

Changes In U. S. Immigration Laws

Would Make It Necessary for Aliens to Report and Register Every Year

New York.—Amendment of the immigration law so as to require aliens to register and report once a year to some federal official, is one of the several recommendations made to the National Republican Club by its subcommittee on immigration.

On repeal of the laws in certain western and southern states that permit aliens to vote who have only declared their intention to become citizens, stringent regulation of the foreign language press in the United States and creation of a permanent immigration commission to study the effects of past and especially future immigration were other recommendations.

Russian Situation Bad

Ally Officials Fearful of Bolshevik Triumph in Southern War Area

Constantinople.—The situation in Southern Russia is so uncertain that the allied officials are fearful of a general Bolshevik triumph, more, however, through the internal dissensions than the entrance of Red forces from the outside.

General Schilling is at Sebastopol commanding the volunteer forces which held the Crimean isthmus.

The surrounding lagoons are frozen hard, however, and it is feared the Bolsheviks may approach on the ice. Sebastopol harbor is cluttered with useless shipping. Ten thousand persons are registered willing to get away, while 11,000 more are on ships from Odessa without adequate food or medicine. Typhus is raging among the refugees. It is impossible to take away the population, as commanders of allied warships in the harbor apparently lack authority for such action.

An agreement has been reached between General Denikin and the Cossack supreme council. The Cossacks are giving their wholehearted support, but the Don and Kuban Cossacks are making reservations which will weaken the anti-Bolshevik strength and will make the Crimean situation doubtful.

Canada's Favorable Outlook

Duke of Devonshire Paints a Bright Picture of Future of Dominion

Ottawa.—That Canada has every reason to be gratified with the present outlook, more particularly now that educationists were attacking the heavy task of carrying on a huge campaign to deepen and strengthen the moral and spiritual factors in national education, was the keynote of a speech delivered by the Duke of Devonshire, Governor-General of Canada, to the delegates to the National Council of Education here.

Dr. Parmelee, of Quebec, urged for a serious consideration of the bilingual question. If they were to have peace and harmony it was absolutely necessary that they give the French-Canadians the right to preserve their mother tongue.

Noted Indian Sniper Dead

Credited With Having Killed Over a Hundred Germans

Morvins Town, Ont.—George Stonchish, Canada's most noted Indian sniper for three years in France, was frozen to death near his home on the reserve. Stonchish was the first Indian to enlist after the outbreak of the war, joining the Canadian army on August 6th, 1914. In his capacity as a sniper, he is credited with having killed over a hundred Germans, but he himself escaped without a wound. The coroner decided that an inquest was unnecessary.

Italy Still Has Food Cards

Rome.—Owing to the high rate of exchange, the difficulty of securing transportation and the scarcity in supplies, the council of ministers has decided to establish card systems for the necessities of life under the same conditions as during the war. Cards, therefore, will be required for bread, rice, macaroni, coal, and fats.

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British Navy Can Cope With any Emergency

Manchester Guardian Ridicules Idea of Amalgamating the Ships Built

London.—Discussing editorially Admiral Jellicoe's tour, the Manchester Guardian says it exerted a good deal of controversy in Canada, where the newspapers said that this might suggest a special building program for the Dominion and a plan for amalgamating the ships built with the British navy if the emergency should arise.

"We don't believe that any such foolish scheme is contemplated," continues the Guardian. "No emergency to begin with, is conceivable with which the British navy is not amply adequate to cope, and even if it were not so, the method of shaping and directing naval policy from Whitehall for the dominions would be the worst imaginable to meet the need. It cannot be too clearly realized the tremendous help which the British overseas nations have accorded to the allied cause. So far from making the centralization, the imperial policy has given the separate members of the Commonwealth a title as they never before held toward their own destination."

"While the Dominion policy is against the inclusion as items in the plans of imperialism, and there could be no graver error of statesmanship at this time than to imagine they would meet a scheme for putting armed forces at the disposal of the imperial council with anything but profound suspicion."

British Watching

Bolshevik Agents

Home Secretary Says Particulars Ought Not to Be Published

London.—The Home Secretary, Edward Shortt, stated in the house that the activities of Bolshevik agents in this country were receiving careful attention, but he did not think it in public interest to publish particulars. This was in reply to the question as to whether his attention had been called to the fact that the underground activities of Bolshevik agents had been greatly increased of late, whether the police had recently seized large quantities of propaganda, and if any newspapers and British subjects were being subsidized by Soviet money.

Single-handed neither the farmer nor the packer can expect to enter the vast field for exports; only by the United efforts of both can it be done.

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Wilson Replies To Note On Adriatic Question

Washington.—President Wilson has prepared and sent to the state department a reply to the entente premier on the Adriatic question. He is understood to have stated the position of the United States government with a degree of finality.

The original draft as prepared by Mr. Wilson was sent to Acting Secretary of State Polk for his personal study, as he was on the head of the American mission when the Adriatic decision of December 9 was reached at Paris, and is therefore familiar with all the preliminary negotiations.

The president is understood to have adhered to the position taken in his note of February 10, in which he informed the allies that if they were to proceed to a settlement of the Adriatic question without the participation of the United States Government a situation might be created where the United States might have to consider whether it could be a party to the treaty of Versailles, and the Franco-American pact.

While conciliatory, the premier's reply to this original note was argumentative.

Mr. Wilson in his answer is understood to have met this argument point by point, and is believed to have again called attention to the policy of self-determination as enunciated in his fourteen points and his other declarations during the war which were accepted by the Central Powers, as the basis for peace.

Although it makes clear that the United States Government has not changed the position it took when the original Adriatic agreement was made at Paris, the president's note is not regarded as the final chapter in the negotiations. The premier, in his reply to the original communication, are said to have left the way open for agreement along the lines

provisionally accepted by the United States, and with the receipt of the United States note it will be for them to decide whether the ultimatum previously sent to Jugo-Slavia embodying the sentiments to which the United States did not subscribe will stand.

Nurses Arrive From Siberia

San Francisco.—One hundred and forty American Red Cross workers arrived here from Siberia on the army transport Great Northern. Women members of the party told of their experiences with cholera at Harbin. From Harbin they went to the foothills of the Ural mountains and aided in the evacuation of the thousands of children.

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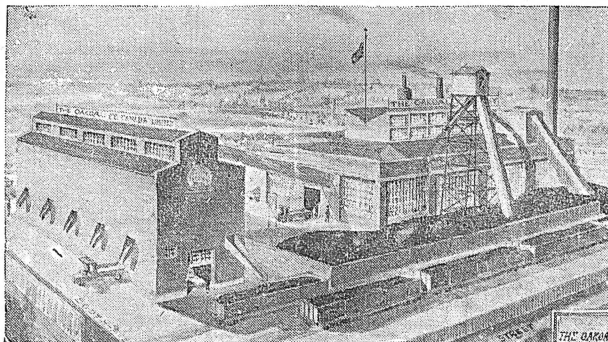
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No Cause for Pessimism in West

Despite adverse conditions in the greater part of Alberta and Saskatchewan, and in sections of Manitoba, it is estimated by the Winnipeg Free Press, in an extended survey of agricultural production in the Western Provinces in 1919, that the wealth produced on the farms of the three Western Provinces in that year totalled \$397,563,855.

This total wealth is greater than any previous year. The wheat yield last year brought in less return than in 1918, but oats, barley and screenings were considerably greater, while flax and rye show quite a reduction. Altogether, it is estimated that the financial returns from the grains produced in 1919 were about \$16,000,000 under 1918.

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Saskatchewan's Population Is Over 800,000 Mark According to Statistics Recently Compiled

Saskatchewan's population is now \$33,267, according to statistics compiled by the vital statistics branch of the provincial public health bureau. This is an increase of nearly 100,000 in two years, as the figures compiled by the same method in 1917 showed the total population to be slightly over 735,000 at that time.

These figures were supplied by the secretary treasurers and the city and town clerks of every rural municipality, city, town and village in the province, with the exception of Regina, which did not report. In such cases the figures for 1918 were used.

The population of the cities, towns and villages, according to these figures is 241,315, and of the rural districts 591,752, 565,360 for rural municipalities, and 26,292 in the unorganized territory. The population of the seven cities in the province is given as follows by the city clerks of each city: Regina, 40,000; Saskatoon, 25,000; Moose Jaw, 21,623; Prince Albert, 8,500; North Battleford, 4,500; Swift Current, 4,000; Weyburn, 4,000.

Iron Duke a Poor Shot

Hero of Waterloo Better at Instruction Than Execution

Some soldiers, like lawyers, are excellent in giving the correct instructions professionally, but indifferent executors of the same in detail. A lord chancellor of England made out his will in such a manner as to lead to endless litigation. Napoleon was a poor shot.

Lady Shelley records in her diary a woeful exhibition by the Duke of Wellington during one of his visits. "I accompanied the guns in the afternoon," she writes on Sept. 8, 1819.

"The hero of Waterloo was a very wild shot. After wounding a retriever and later on wounding a keeper's cat, he sprinkled the bare arms of an old woman who chanced to be washing clothes at her cottage window. 'My good woman,' I said, 'this ought to be the proudest moment of your life. You have had the distinction of being shot by the Duke of Wellington.' . . . Her face was wreathed in smiles as the confidant Duke slipped a gold coin into her hand."

German Army Still 400,000 Strong

Paris.—The German army is still 400,000 strong, according to a report received by the committee of foreign affairs from General Nissel, head of the Baltic Mission. In addition, there are 100,000 police forces, and non-commissioned officers. Germany also is well supplied with tanks, machine guns and airplanes. In the neutral zone alone, on the right bank of the Rhine, the police force numbers 1,000.

Demolishing the Parisian Bridges

As A Sacrifice to the Spirit of Progress

Another old bridge is being demolished at Paris as a sacrifice to the spirit of progress. This is the Pont de la Truennelle some distance down stream beyond Notre Dame. It was originally built about 1630, the first structure being of wood. The foundations of the present stone bridge date from 1636, although it was widened twice, once in 1777 and again in 1845, to keep pace with the increase of traffic. But the remarkable fact about its destruction is, that while the demolition plans are complete and thorough, there is a vagueness about what will next be done. Is its destruction for the sake of so-called civic improvement, or will it simply vanish and another historic landmark of old Paris be only a memory? Or will the municipal council replace it with something fashionable in steel or reinforced concrete? The pity is that no one can find out why this bridge was chosen for destruction, nor what will replace it. Paris can ill afford to lose her structures of the past.

Our Agricultural Wealth

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Population of Canada

Almost 9,000,000 Persons in Dominion Now, Latest Census Estimate Says

According to an estimate of the census branch of the department of trade and commerce based on the increased population between 1901 and 1911 and worked out logarithmically, the population of Canada today numbers 8,835,102 souls. The estimate is believed to be approximately correct.

By provinces the population is estimated as follows: Ontario, 2,820,909; Quebec, 2,326,528; British Columbia, 178,660; Saskatchewan, 754,090; Manitoba, 618,903; Alberta, 587,770; Nova Scotia, 518,761; New Brunswick, 368,769; Prince Edward Island, 93,728; Northwest Territories, 18,481; Yukon, 8,512; total, 8,835,102.

City populations, based on figures prepared for local assessments, include the following: Montreal, 743,964; Toronto, 473,829; Vancouver, 102,550. Winnipeg's population is probably now 200,000.

Teacher.—"What was the ruler of Russia called?"
Johnnie.—"Czar."
Teacher.—"What was his wife called?"
Johnnie.—"Czarina."
Teacher.—"And his children?"
Johnnie.—"Czardines."

Australia Hopes To Make Paper

Samples of Timber Sent to Canada to Be Tested

Addressing a conference of New South Wales proprietors of country newspapers, the state premier, W. A. Holman, said that the state government, guided by its expert advisers, had been engaged during the past 18 months in a series of experiments to ascertain whether the manufacture of paper could not be carried on in Australia, so as, if possible, to meet the difficulties that had arisen.

The experiments showed, he said, so much promise that a quantity of timber of selected type had been sent to Canada to be tested in the laboratories of one of the big mills. The paper made from the Australian timber had not yet been sent back, but cable reports were of a most satisfactory character.

A committee had been appointed by the government, continued the premier, and was arranging for the introduction of a plant into New South Wales sufficient to enter upon the conversion of some New South Wales timber into paper.

Minor Industries of Burma

Beautiful Objects of Art Are Made By Villagers

Sir Henry Adamson, Lieutenant-Governor of Burma from 1910-15, presiding recently at a meeting of the Indian section of the Society of Arts at which a paper on "Burmese Village Industries" was read by A. P. Morris, provincial art officer of Burma, said that the minor industries of Burma were in a backward condition. He hoped in any steps taken for the improvement of the industries of Burma, the village industries would not be neglected, for it was to them they must look for the supplementary industries which were required so much, especially in lower Burma, where the villager was a cultivator of rice, which only occupied him part of the year.

It was amazing, he continued, what beautiful objects of art were made by people so backward in village industries, and he thought hovers for these things could be found in London, even if they could not be supplied at first in large quantities. Burmese toys were very quaint and attractive to children, and they had the advantage of being cheap. He believed they could be exported in sufficient quantities to meet very large orders.

The Burman, if left to his own devices, was as conservative as the Indian, but he was always ready to follow a lead, and if anyone gave him a new idea he was very willing to adopt it. Cooperation was thriving and there was a number of co-operative banks managed by cultivators. Burmans never enlisted as soldiers until the great war, but now several signalling, pioneer and sapper work units were in the Indian army. They showed an aptitude which placed them far above the infantry units of India.

Honest Murray Islanders

Every Village Has What Is Called an "Honesty Board"

The natives of Murray Island, a detached member of the Torres Strait group of islands immediately to the north of Queensland, Australia, are noted for their honesty. Every village has what is called an "honesty board," at the foot of which is placed an article found.

Peace River Oil

Prof. Gwillim States Close Investigation Should Be Given Gentle Dip District

The report of Professor J. C. Gwillim, of Queen's University, on the oil possibilities of certain portions of the province in the Peace River district has been tabled in the B.C. legislature. It states that the portion most worthy of closer investigation is the strip of country lying between the Gentle Dip toward the Great Syncline, and that of the area of disturbed geology adjacent to the mountains.

Hon. T. D. Pattullo, who tabled the report, said it was highly desirable that much more extensive work of a general character should be carried on during the coming year by the government.

The Bulkhead sandstones are considered to be the shoreward equivalent of the Peace River sandstones and Lohan River shale. It is near the base of the latter that oil is found on the lower Peace River, about 1,100 feet below the river level.

Seek Railway Franchise

Outward Application is to be made at the forthcoming session of the federal house for a railway franchise to cover the land between the westerly end of Schultz Lake and from the junction of the Handbury and Thelon rivers to Old Fort Reliance, at the eastern end of Great Slave Lake, in the northwest territories. The usual telegraphic and water-power development privileges are also sought.

For moving loaded freight cars, a pinch bar has been invented that includes a shoe for gripping the rail, and so formed that as the handle is pressed down a car wheel is pushed instead of being lifted.

Wool Marketing In Saskatchewan

Department of Agriculture Ready to Hand Over Work to Organized Wool Producers

For the past six years the co-operative organization branch of the Saskatchewan department of agriculture has acted as a wool marketing agency for the sheep men of the province, and now a point has been reached where the success of co-operative marketing of wool has been so clearly demonstrated and the quantity handled annually amounts to such a heavy total, that the department of agriculture is ready to hand over the work to the organized wool producers of the province, if they are prepared to assume the responsibility.

F. H. Auld, deputy minister of agriculture, in explaining the reasons for taking this step, states that when the co-operative wool marketing work was undertaken in 1914, the sheep breeding industry in the province had been at a standstill for a number of years, with the number of flocks decreasing rather than increasing. By exercising proper care in the preparation of wool for marketing and co-operative in the sale, it was believed that sheep men could materially increase their returns from their wool crop. The success which has attended the movement since its inception has amply justified the undertaking, and practically all the sheep men in the province are now familiar with the advantages to be gained through proper preparation of the wool and bulk sales on a graded basis.

In 1914 there were 179 consignments of wool received, with a total weight of 69,044 pounds, by the Co-operative Branch. In 1915 there were 318 consignments, with total weight of 100,328 pounds. In 1916 there were 487 consignments with total weight of 179,890 pounds. In 1917 there was a still greater increase, 623 consignments with total weight of 223,445 pounds, and 916 consignments weighing 394,069 pounds in 1918.

In 1919 there were 1,103 consignments, weighing 553,492 pounds, handled by the co-operative organization branch, making a total of over a million and a half pounds of wool handled in the past six years.

Since the Saskatchewan Government undertook this work, the Canadian Co-operative Wool Growers, Limited, has been organized. This is a large selling organization composed of farmers in every province in Canada. Its shareholders in Saskatchewan now number 300, and it is proposed that these shareholders should form an association to handle the wool marketing work that has been performed so successfully during the last few years by the Saskatchewan Government on behalf of the farmers.

How It Works Out

Public Sentiment in Favor of Prohibition Strong in U.S.

Speaking at a luncheon given by the Right Hon. Leif Jones, William J. Abbott, one of the editors of Collier's Weekly, who is in England on a visit from America, described his experience in investigating the working of prohibition in that country. "I never believed in prohibition," he declared, "until I had an opportunity of studying its effects. The proprietor of a large hotel told me that his dances and midnight suppers were every bit as well attended as in the days when he sold intoxicating drinks. The proprietor added that the profits on the sale of temperance drinks were 140 per cent, which was considerably more than on the sale of alcohol."

In Washington Mr. Abbott was told that prohibition was the finest thing that had ever happened in the States. Statistics showed, he went on, that there was no increase in the drug habit in the United States on account of prohibition. "I was convinced," he said, "that prohibition wherever it has been in effect has not merely enhanced the comfort, the thrift, and contentment of the people, but has been endorsed and approved by public sentiment."

Opportunities for Settlers

Where Good Land Is Available at Low Prices

Land in the North Battleford district is very fertile and comparatively low in price. Some of it has been settled from eight to sixteen years. The older pioneers have now their total acreage under cultivation. Many of the newcomers have from fifty to one hundred acres broken. Land can be bought at prices ranging from \$13 to \$32 per acre. The favorable price of land in this district is because, being a comparatively new country, prices have not advanced to the level of the older settled districts, but they undoubtedly will. There is every reason why they should, and there is no doubt the annual increments in land values, which has distinguished the last two or three years, will be continued in the immediate future to even a greater degree.

Settlement extends 100 miles to the northward, and there is still much unsurveyed land further north, and to the northwest there are millions of unsurveyed acres that are suitable for agricultural settlement. Special attention is given to stock raising and dairying in the remote settlements. A branch of the Canadian National Railway runs from N. Battleford northwestward to Turtleford, a distance of 60 miles. This line is being extended several miles this year.

Marketing Alberta Wool

Southern Alberta Wool Growers Receive Final Report

Final returns have now been made to sheep men by the Southern Alberta Wool Growers' association for the wool sold through the association in 1919. A total of between 800,000 and 900,000 pounds of wool was marketed through the Canadian Co-operative Wool Growers' association, and the average price obtained by the grower will be about sixty cents a pound. A considerable quantity of wool was also sold privately through dealers.

According to the secretary of the Southern Alberta Wool Growers' association, there are approximately 150,000 head of sheep wintering south of the main line of the Canadian Pacific Railway in Alberta, and they have kept in fairly good shape up to the present.

The robin and the wren are the only birds that sing all the year round. All other birds have periodical fits of silence.

Frazer Valley Honey Producers Organize

British Market For Western Produce

Outlook Is Very Good for Canadian Livestock

Henry B. Thomson, formerly chairman of the Canada Food Board, who has just spent eight months with the Canadian mission in London, is of the opinion farmers and livestock producers of the Dominion have an excellent chance to establish themselves in special line against all-comers in the British markets. "Canadian bacon has unquestionably gained the goodwill of the British people," he says, "and it commands the best prices."

Mr. Thomson says he found a readiness everywhere to take Canadian beef, if steady in supply. The total importation of beef into the United Kingdom is about five billion hundredweights a year. If Canadian exports of this commodity were increased twenty times, it would only just fill the British requirement. And then there are the great continental markets to be considered.

The need of eggs in 1920 would be two and a half billion. The largest export from the Dominion in one year was only forty-five million. So there is plenty of opportunity here.

"Everything points to a meat shortage in Europe next year," is the opinion of Mr. Thomson, "and he does not think the Canadian farms should take the short view of the livestock situation, but advises him to go on breeding his meat animals and grading up for the export trade on a permanent basis. The farmer will be sure of a reward greater than he looked for."

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Vote on Liquor Imports

Saskatchewan Is the First to Take Action Toward Invoking the Provisions of the Canada Temperance Act

The Saskatchewan government is the first of the provincial governments to take action toward invoking the provisions of the Canada Temperance Act as amended at the last session of the federal house, for the purpose of taking a referendum of the people of this province on the question of prohibiting the importation of intoxicating liquor for use as a beverage. A motion has been introduced in the legislature by the Attorney-General asking the assembly to set in motion the necessary machinery, by making application to the Dominion Government to take such a referendum. The Canada Temperance Act provides that upon the receipt of a petition of this kind the federal government may issue a proclamation for taking the votes of the electors for or against the prohibition. It is expected that it will take several months before a referendum of the people of the province can be taken on the subject of importation from without the province; and in the meantime it is the intention of the provincial government to introduce legislation to tighten the regulations affecting the sale of liquor in drug stores. Generally speaking, the bill to achieve this end will give effect to the recommendations of the Social Service Council and the temperance reform element, which have had committees studying the problem for some time. The bill will compel druggists to purchase liquor from a certain designated source, and supplies will be sold only to druggists who are able to account for what they have previously purchased from this source. A commission of three will probably be given the administration of the new act.

Opportunities for Settlers

Where Good Land Is Available at Low Prices

Land in the North Battleford district is very fertile and comparatively low in price. Some of it has been settled from eight to sixteen years. The older pioneers have now their total acreage under cultivation. Many of the newcomers have from fifty to one hundred acres broken. Land can be bought at prices ranging from \$13 to \$32 per acre. The favorable price of land in this district is because, being a comparatively new country, prices have not advanced to the level of the older settled districts, but they undoubtedly will. There is every reason why they should, and there is no doubt the annual increments in land values, which has distinguished the last two or three years, will be continued in the immediate future to even a greater degree.

Settlement extends 100 miles to the northward, and there is still much unsurveyed land further north, and to the northwest there are millions of unsurveyed acres that are suitable for agricultural settlement. Special attention is given to stock raising and dairying in the remote settlements. A branch of the Canadian National Railway runs from N. Battleford northwestward to Turtleford, a distance of 60 miles. This line is being extended several miles this year.

Marketing Alberta Wool

Southern Alberta Wool Growers Receive Final Report

Final returns have now been made to sheep men by the Southern Alberta Wool Growers' association for the wool sold through the association in 1919. A total of between 800,000 and 900,000 pounds of wool was marketed through the Canadian Co-operative Wool Growers' association, and the average price obtained by the grower will be about sixty cents a pound. A considerable quantity of wool was also sold privately through dealers.

According to the secretary of the Southern Alberta Wool Growers' association, there are approximately 150,000 head of sheep wintering south of the main line of the Canadian Pacific Railway in Alberta, and they have kept in fairly good shape up to the present.

The robin and the wren are the only birds that sing all the year round. All other birds have periodical fits of silence.

Beekeepers of the Fraser Valley of British Columbia have organized with a view to standardizing the marketing of their product, the improvement of their stock, and the more convenient purchasing of appliances. The new organization will not interfere in any way with the British Columbia Honey Producers' Association, which is provincial in its scope; it will confine its efforts to the Fraser Valley for the present, at least. The headquarters will be in New Westminster, and conventions will be held annually during the provincial fair.

According to facts and figures submitted at the organization meeting, over 80 tons of honey were harvested in the Fraser Valley in 1919 (in spite of a somewhat serious epidemic of foul brood), or about one-quarter of what is consumed annually in the province. Much of this honey was marketed at thirty cents a pound, though some sold as cheap as twenty-five cents, and other lots brought as high as thirty-five cents. This year it is intended to fix a standard price for a standard product early in the season.

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Fox Farming Pays

Some Fine Skins From an Alberta Fox Ranch

Dade & Peacock, of Camrose, Alberta, are sending five black and ten silver grey fox skins from their ranch, to be offered at the American sales. This company commenced business at Camrose about six years ago and has had many ups and downs at the beginning. During the past few years, however, things have been pointing their way, and at present their ranch is considered a gold mine.

This shipment will bring in the neighborhood of \$8,000, and is considered as fine a lot of skins as ever left Alberta. The company have nothing now but black and silver foxes, of which there are over forty on the ranch, which is one of the largest in the province.

Fell Into It

A physician on a liner made a great use of sea water among his patients. Whenever their trouble, a dose of the briny water was given them. One day the doctor fell overboard. A bustle consequently ensued on board in the midst of which the captain came up and inquired the cause. "Oh, it's nothing, sir," answered a tar, "only the doctor has fallen into his own medicine chest."

Winter Goods

It may be that as the winter has been so long that some of your Heavy Goods are worn out. Please note that we are trying to keep our winter stock complete and assorted just for such occasions. If you need anything in that line we will be pleased to show you the goods. How about

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CHINOOK BREEZES

The talk on "Home Nursing," given by Mrs. O. Hinds, in the church, last week, was largely attended and much appreciated.

Mrs. Geo. Marr, who underwent an operation at the Chinook hospital a week ago, went home this morning.

The many friends of Mrs. M. J. Hewitt will be pleased to learn that she is progressing favorably from her severe and serious attack of pneumonia.

Mrs. Shabino returned home from Medicine Hat this morning with her son Ervin's two children whose mother died in the States some few weeks ago.

Mr. and Mrs. Clark, who have been connected with the Acadia Hotel, Mr. Clark being clerk, for the past two years, left this week for Calgary. We are sorry to lose them from Chinook.

A concert will be given in the Chinook church on Tuesday, March 9th, at 8 p.m. Program by the Sunday school children, assisted by others. Proceeds in aid of furnishing primary class. Adults 50c, children free.

The Women's Institute will meet at the home of Mrs. Dunn, on Wednesday, March 3rd, at 3 o'clock. Mrs. Elliott will give the Home Nursing talk, and the subject for receipt exchange will be "Winter Vegetables."

Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Vanhook, who have been very low with the flu and pneumonia the past two or three weeks, have passed the crisis favorably, but it will be some time before they will be about again.

Word was received here last night of the very serious condition of Mr. A. T. Vaughn of Rollinson, from the flu. Mrs. Vaughn, who had moved into Chinook about two weeks ago, to enable the children to go to school, returned home at once.

At the nomination meeting of the M.D. of Coltholme, last week Hittle and Falconer were elected by acclamation. In ward 5, where Mr. Adam Marr retires on account of moving out of the municipality, Geo. Marr and W. H. Davis were nominated to fill the vacancy.

No fresh cases of the flu have developed in Chinook and district during the past week or two and it is to be hoped that the progress of the disease is now practically over. There is need, however for great care on the part of everyone, as any carelessness might easily result in a second attack.

Mr. Adam Marr returned home this morning from the Munson district, where he had gone to look up some seed grain and feed for the M.D. of Coltholme. He was able to purchase five car loads of seed oats and two car loads of feed, the seven cars are expected here shortly. He has also an option on more, if needed

The following articles are needed for the Rest Room to be shortly opened by the Women's Institute: Chairs, small table, cot or couch, cushions, rugs white curtains, saucepans, kettle water-pail, drinking-mugs, etc. Anyone having suitable articles to loan or give, can bring same to the old bank building, or communicate with Mrs. C. W. Rideout or Mrs. T. O. Stephenson.

Spring Work

There has been a large amount seed grain hauled from Chinook during the past week, and will be till spring opens, before the roads are too bad, and even now they are none too good. Farmers around here are beginning to make preparations for spring work. On account of winter setting in so early, a vast amount of ploughing was left undone, and has to be done now. Very many farmers are going to be greatly handicapped for the want of horses, so many having died during the winter, and even the animals that have survived the rigors of the winter, most of them are in a weakened and emaciated condition, and are practically useless for spring work, and will need feeding and building up, with feed scarce and expensive, coupled with the scarcity of ready cash.

SCHOOL REPORT

The following is the report of the Chinook school for November, December and January.

Pupils taking 60 per cent, and over for one or more months.

Room iv. Grade xi

M Butts j, A Deman n d j, B Deman n d j, D Ennis j, M Hamon j, E Matthews j, G Whiteside j, H Mitchell n d R Noble j, D Roberts d j.

Grade x—W Clark n d j, H Butts n j, O Holm n d j, A McPhail j.

Grade ix—Ma Bennett n j, My Bennett n j, N Bennett j H Lensegral n, L Richardson, L Whiteside n d j, E Deman j, G Lensegral n d j, C Otto n d j, J Short n d j.

Room iii

Grade viii—F Aarsby n d j, M Young n d j, E Stephenson n d j, C Peterson d j, R Deman d j, F Maris n d j, W Butt d j, R Hamon n d j, D Stata d, D Roberts d j.

Grade vii—K Martin d j, T Short n, R Whiteside n d, A Woodruff n d j, W Howarth d, E Johnson n d j, E Bennett d, G Bradley d.

Room ii

Grade vi (no report for Nov.) W Pettigrew d j, V Aarsby d j, E Noble d j, E Harris d j, I Marcy j, M Woodruff j, the following for Dec C Stata, A Cadwell, M MacIntosh, V Bradley, B Bradley, C Johnston.

Grade v—the following are for Dec and Jan. H Stata, C Aarsby, M Todd, E Young, W Richardson, D Smith, J Varcoe, L Howton, H Dressel, H Bradley, T Cramer, R Millivray j.

Grade iv—Following are for Dec and Jan. C Dumanowski, D Smith, V Maris, E Grant, N Short, J Wilson, L Stephenson, M Milligan, M Peterson, J Cadwell.

Room i

Grade ii—Following for Nov., Dec and Jan. L Dressel, J Engler, L Brownell, R Creamer, I Grant, L Hohlen d j, G Langsford j, W Langsford j.

Grade i (Following are for Nov Dec and Jan)—M Otto, A Johnson, A Duncan, R Miller, J Knight, W Milligan, B Noble, D McKenzie, M Young, B Pettigrew, D Lindsay, T McIntosh j, S McLean n d j, V Dressel n d j, N Stephenson n d j, L Hamon n d j, M Whiteside n d.

Primary—C Short n d j, O Bradley n d j, E Grant n d j, O Aarsby d j, M Aarsby d j, A Mannen n, M Scott n d.

Mr. Joe Hittle, the C.N.R. pumpman here, was taken to the Chinook hospital this morning, suffering from a very bad attack of asthma, from which he nearly collapsed from suffocation.



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